

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF FACT KERALA
GEORGE EDEN

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any proposal for the development of Fertilizer and Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT) Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is true that the ammonium plant causes huge loss to the FACT; and
- (d) if so, the action proposed to be taken to overcome situation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) & (b) : The Government has made a provision of Rs.19.00 crore as a budgetary support during the current financial year for FACT to enable it to implement essential renewals and replacement and upgradation schemes directed towards improving the health of its plants and their overall performance.

(c) & (d): FACT has faced some constraints on account of high capital related costs of the new ammonia plant. A proposal of FACT for financial assistance from the Government to improve its financial performance has been approved by the Government in March 2002 and approval conveyed to the company.